

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1. An illuminated tap handle comprising:
  - a handle portion with a detachable end and a hollow portion inside that opens up to the detachable end;
  - a light source coupled to the handle portion;
  - a conducting portion coupled to the detachable end;
  - an energy source removeably connectable to the light source and removable from the handle portion;
  - a conducting strip with a first end and a second end;
  - the first end of the conducting strip coupled to the light source;
  - the conducting portion capable of touching the second end of the conducting strip and the energy source when the detachable end is attached to the handle portion; and
  - the handle portion is capable of being secured to a tap.
2. The illuminated tap handle of claim 1 further comprising:
  - a detachable end threadably securable to the handle portion; and
  - a conductor fixedly connected to the light source and removeably connectable to the energy source.
3. The illuminated tap handle of claim 1 wherein:
  - the conducting strip is a flexible metal conductor;
  - the second end of the conducting strip is situated between the detachable end and the energy source; and
  - the detachable end is capable of pressing the conducting strip onto the energy source when it is either attached or threaded onto the handle.
4. The illuminated tap handle of claim 1, 2 or 3 wherein the detachable end is threadably securable to a tap.
5. The illuminated tap handle of claim 1, 2, or 3 wherein the light source is an incandescent light.
6. The illuminated dispensing handle of claim 1, 2, or 3 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.